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1. The points listed below are to be overlay or antiaircraft artillery sites in the Eisenach area Enclosure (A).

Point #1 TOWN OF EISENACH (505545N 102030E)

#2 ASPHALT-CONCRETE HIGHWAY, EISENACH-GROSS BEHRINGEN (510130N-103045E)

#3 GROSSENLUPTNITZ (505945N-102430E)

#4 FOREST, location of Hqs, 21st Tank Division and several subordinate units

#5 ANTI AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SITE OF THE 21st TANK DIVISION which was set up in late summer or early fall of 1950

#6 FOREST; location of five regiments of the 57th Guards Rifle Division

#7 ANTI AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SITE OF THE 57th GUARDS RIFLE DIVISION

#8 LOCATION OF WATCH TOWER AND RADIO TENTS OF THE AAA SITE. The tower was built during fall of 1950

#9 FOREST, location of the rest of the units of the 21st Tank Division

#10 ANTI AIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SITE OF THE UNITS LOCATED AT POINT #9, which I last saw in the spring of 1951

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#11 WOLFSBEHRINGEN (510020N - 102930E)

#12 GROSS BEHRINGEN (510130N - 103045E) ARTILLERY
ARTILLERY SITE, HQS. 21ST SOVIET TANK DIVISION.

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#13 ROAD.

#14 ETTEHAUSEN (505840N - 102840E)

#15 ROAD. *(See Point #24, Enclosure (C))*

#16 WOLFSBEHRINGEN - WENIGENLUPNITZ ROAD.

#17 WENIGENLUPNITZ (505855N - 102600E)

2. The points listed hereunder refer to memory sketch of area of AAA Hqs., 31st Tank Division, Enclosure (B).

Point #1 FOREST; of fir and deciduous trees; estimated age about 40 years old.

#2, #3, #4 and #5 LOG BUILDINGS; constructed by Soviet Army personnel and housing the Headquarters of the 21st Tank Division. These single story buildings were about 15 meters long and five meters wide, whitewashed white. The gabled roofs were covered with black tarpaper. The buildings were visible from the road. Tents were also located in this area.

#6 HIGHWAY, asphalt-concrete, in good condition. Some sections were covered with granite stones, about 10 meters wide.

#7 DIRT ROAD, length, 300 - 400 meters; about two meters wide.

#8 BUSHES ALONG ONE SIDE OF ROAD; about two or three meters high.

#9 AREA FOR ANTI AIRCRAFT GUNS. There were about 10 guns located here for protection of the units of the 21st Tank Division located in that area. The guns were manned and ready to fire at all times. The barrels, which were elevated at an 80° angle, were operated manually. I believe they were equipped with flash hiders or muzzle brakes. They were mobile, with two wheels. The guns were dug into the ground, no concrete emplacements, and arranged in a circle; the distance between the guns was about 10 meters. I believe that three or four soldiers were assigned each piece. They wore black shoulder boards. I observed no searchlights in the area.

#10 WOODEN FENCE; about one meter high.

#11 TANK PARKING AREA. There were about 20 or 30 tanks and selfpropelled guns here. Their equipment was in storage status and covered with tarpaulin.

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#12 DIRT ROAD, about two or three meters wide, and about 400 - 500 meters long.

#13, #14, and #15 WOODEN BUILDINGS, about six by five meters. Painted white. The roofs were covered with black tarpaper. I believe that these buildings were used by guards and AAA personnel on duty.

#16 BARBED-WIRE FENCE, about two meters high.

#17 ONE STORY LOG BUILDING, 20 X 10 meters; unpainted, gabled roof covered with black tarpaper.

#18 & #19 OLD BRICK BUILDINGS one story high; 20 X 10 meters, gabled roof covered with black tarpaper. The three buildings [Points #17, #18 & #19] served as ammunition (including grenades, land mines, shells) storage places. The ammunition belonged to the 174th Infantry Regiment and an unidentified howitzer Regiment.

#20 DIRT ROAD, about two or three meters wide, leading to WENIGENLUPNITZ (505900N - 102600E)

#21 TWO OR THREE RUINED BUILDINGS.

#22 ELECTRICAL CONTROL HOUSE; concrete; approximately four by four meters and 15 meters high. High tension wires were connected to this building.

3. [The points listed hereunder refer to memory sketch of the AAA site, 57th Guards Rifle Division, Enclosure (C)]

Point #1 DECIDUOUS FOREST; trees were approximately 50 years old.

#2, #3, #4, #5, #6, #7 & #8 TENTS; about five by five meters; bluish-white. Used as postal offices and lodgings for staff-officers of the 57th Guards Rifle Division.

#9 FOOTPATH, leading to headquarters offices of the 57th Guards Rifle Division.

#10 WOODEN WATCH-TOWER, about 15 X 10 meters high. The tower is connected by telephone to the antiairc art artillery side [Point #27]

#11 WOODEN BUILDING used in connection with the observation tower.

#12 TWO TENTS, HOUSING RADIO INSTALLATION presumably used in conjunction with the antiaircraft guns site. There were two masts, about 10 meters high.

#13, #14, #15, #16 & #17 WOODEN SHACKS; about five by five meters; painted white; covered with black tarpaper. These shacks were used as lodgings by officers of the 57th Guards Rifle Div. Headquarters.

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#32 MEDICAL EQUIPMENT which consisted of five wooden, one story buildings, approximately 15 X 6 meters. The buildings were painted white, with gabled black tar roofs. This area was marked by white flags with red crosses.

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#33 & #33A CHECK POINTS, with railings crossing the road.

#34 WOODED AREA, where the headquarters buildings of the 57th Guards Rifle Division were located. The two larger buildings (A) were one story; made of logs; about 20 X 6 meters; unpainted. The gabled roofs were covered with black tarpaper. The five buildings marked (B) were made of wood, each about five by five meters, bluish-white and covered with black tarpaper.

#35 CHECK POINT, with railing crossing the road. I estimated the distance from area Point #1 to Point 33A to be 1½ or 2 kilometers.

4. /The points listed hereunder refer to memory sketch, AAA site of 21st Tank Division, Eisenach area, Enclosure (D)/

Point #1 FOREST, estimated to be about 40 years old; evergreen and deciduous trees.

#2 DIRT ROAD, about three meters wide, leading from WOLFS-BEHRINGEN to ELLINHAUSEN.

#3 ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SITE, where five to seven guns were located. Their barrels were elevated at about a 45° angle. The barrels had flash shields. The guns were mounted on wheels and dug into the ground with no concrete emplacements. They were arranged in a circle, the barrels pointing in all directions. The distance between the pieces was about 10 to 15 meters. I recall seeing five or six trucks near the site. They were manned and ready to fire at all times. The distance from the road to the site was about one kilometer.

#4 ARTILLERY PARK, including trucks, belonging to units of the 21st Tank Division. The artillery pieces were in storage status, covered with tarpaulins.

#5 FOREST, where units of the 21st Tank Division were located.

#5A AREA WHERE WAREHOUSES OF THE 57TH GUARDS RIFLE DIVISION WERE LOCATED.

#6 ETTENHAUSEN VILLAGE.

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Enclosures: (A) Overlay of antiaircraft artillery sites in the Eisenach area
 (B) Sketch of AAA Site Hqrs., 21st Soviet Tank Division
 (C) Sketch of the AA Site, 57th Soviet Guards Rifle Division
 (D) Sketch of AAA Site, 57th Soviet Tank Division

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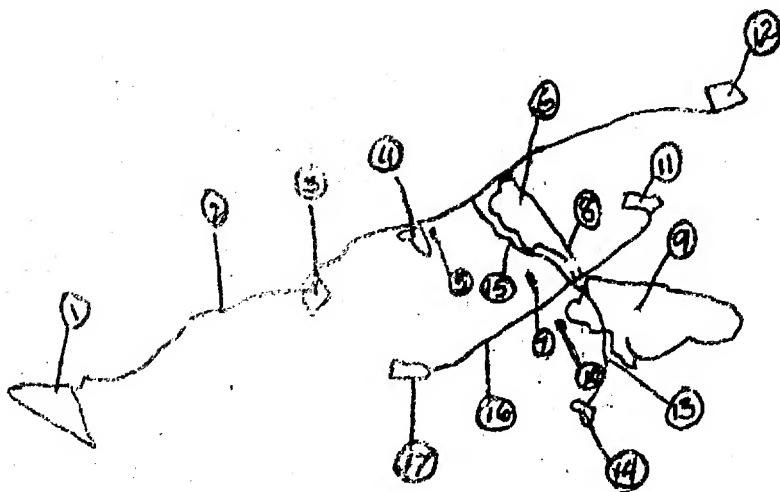
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10°25'00"E



Overlay of map sheet N-5 Central Europe.
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Antiaircraft artillery Sites in the Eisenach Area
(505845N-102030E)

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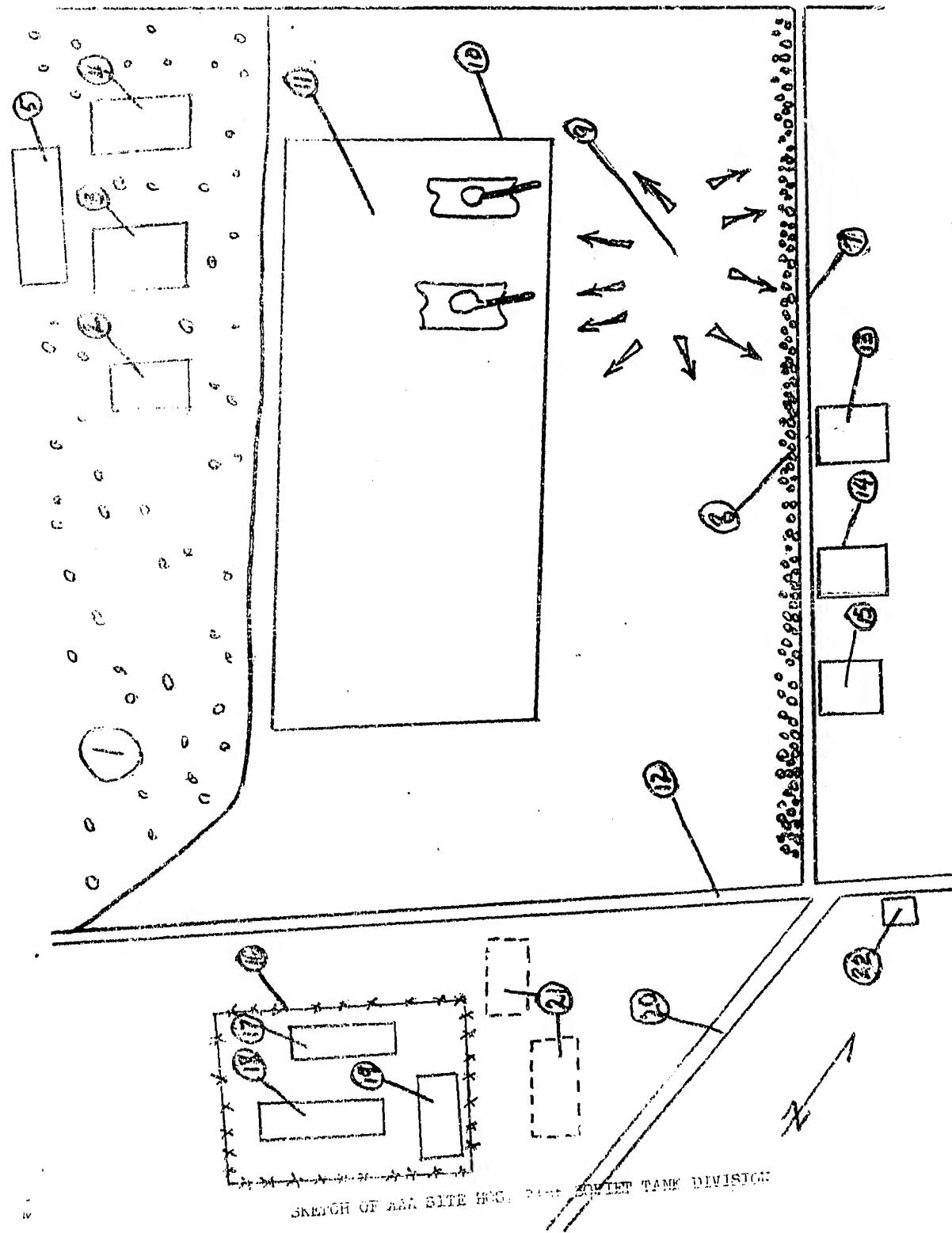
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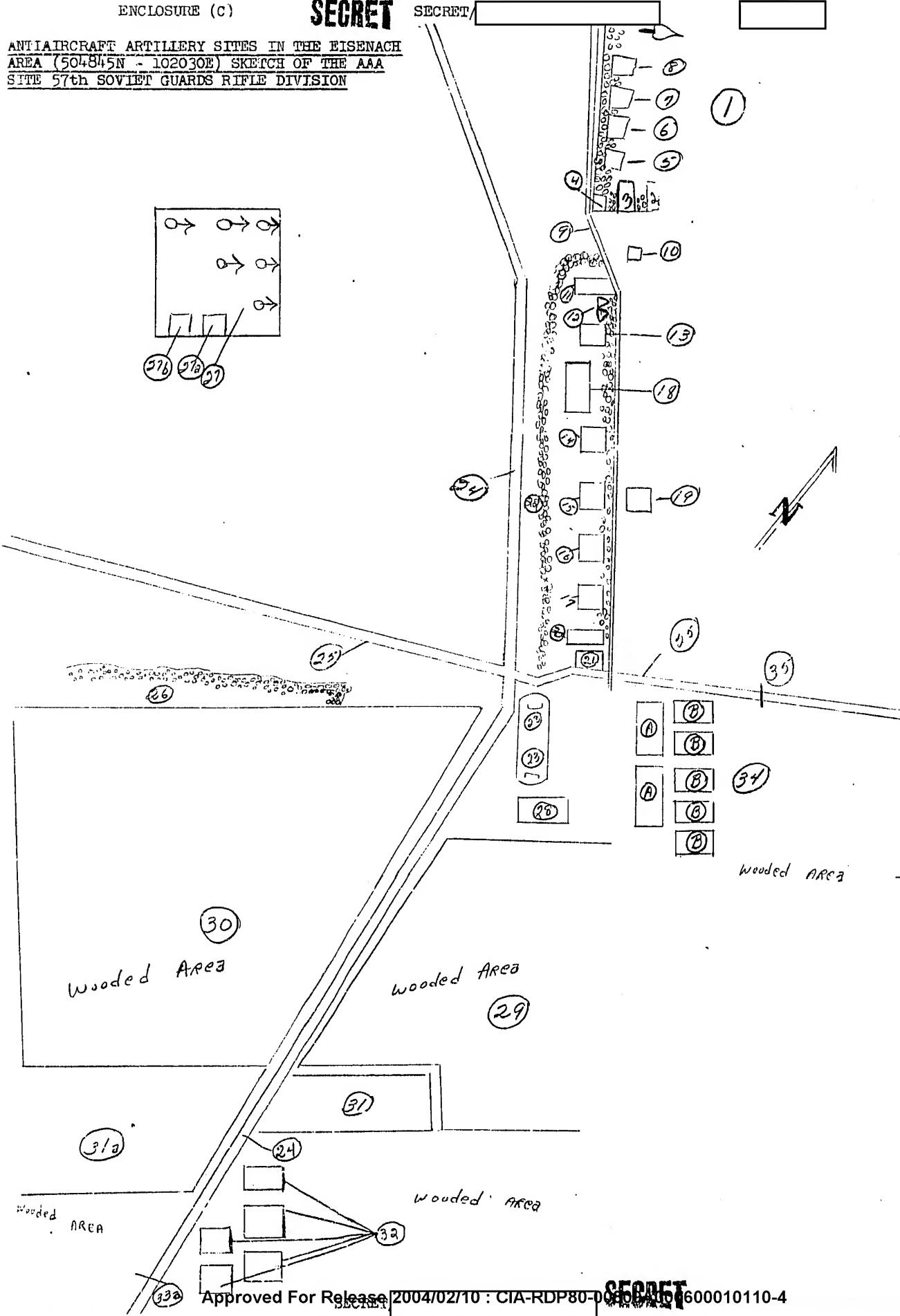
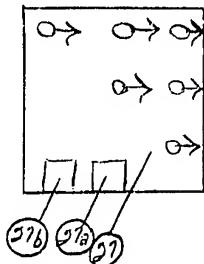
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ANTIAIRCRAFT ARTILLERY SITES IN THE EISENACH AREA (504845N - 102030E) SKETCH OF THE AAA SITE 57th SOVIET GUARDS RIFLE DIVISION

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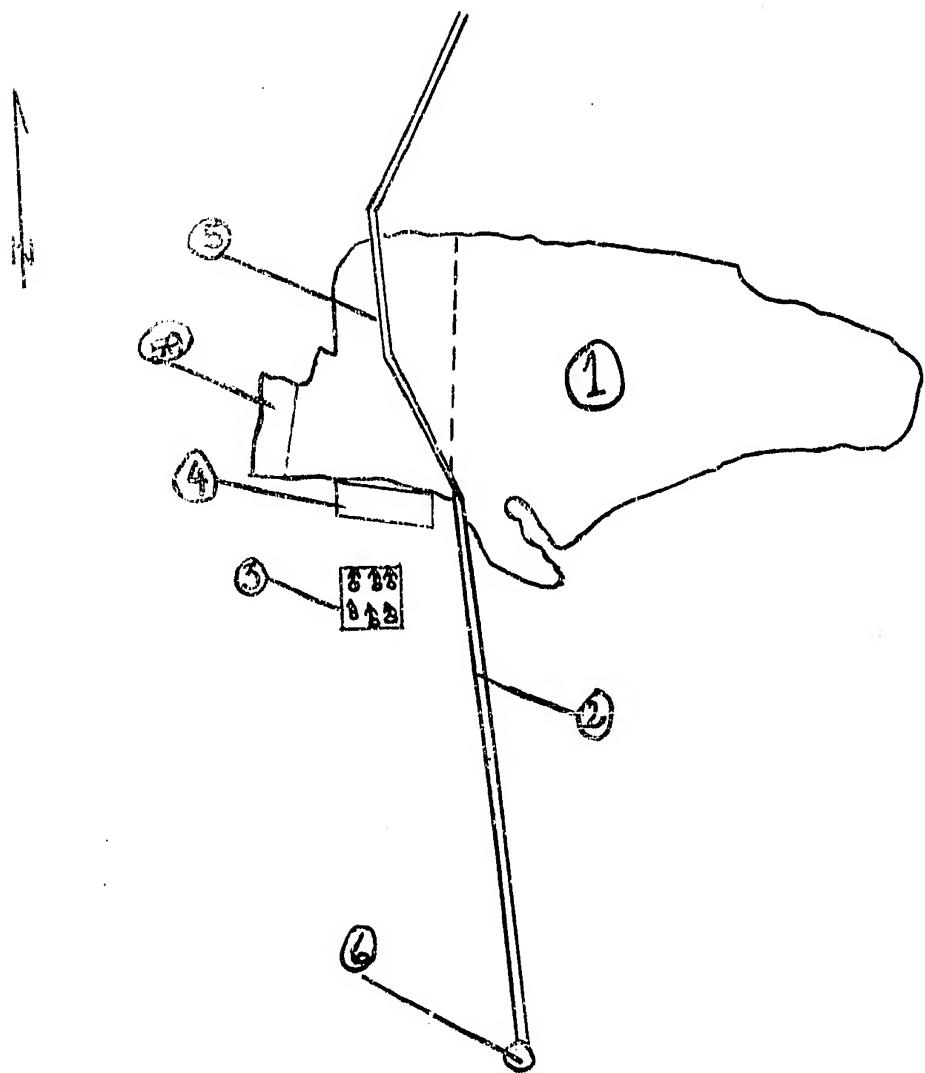
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Memory sketch of AAA site 21st Soviet
Tank Division

Antiaircraft Artillery Site in the Eisenach Area (5058N 102030E)

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